

Subject: Sitka Indian River bridge replacement project

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I am requesting that DOTPF keep the Indian River bridge replacement on tract for a reconstruction as soon as possible. As you are aware of, the pedestrian bridge adjacent to the road bridge failed last year in a heavy run off due to rains and melting snow. This forced pedestrians to use the narrow road surface for bikes, and foot traffic. Very dangerous. The US Post office and about 25% of our population are located across the bridge from the city center. This is the only access for fire trucks, ambulances and residential access. It is vital that the bridge be replaced before another washout or undermining of the supports for the pedestrian bridge. Thank you for reconsidering the bridge project.

Respectfully,

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